## CITY OF PRIEST RIVER

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## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS POLICY AND PROCEDURE

It is the policy of the City of Priest River that a public comment period will be offered at each regularly scheduled City Council meeting, subject to the following guidelines:

- 1. The public comment period is reserved for the public to address the Mayor and Council regarding city-related issues only. This is not the appropriate time to deliver testimony on a public hearing matter, land use application, or comment on a pending application or proposal.
- 2. Idaho law prohibits council action on comments/items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments/items will not be discussed or deliberated by the Mayor or Council. If the Mayor or Council wish to discuss or deliberate a comment/item brought under this section, it will be added to a future meeting as a proper agenda item.
- 3. Citizens wishing to participate in the public comment period are required to sign-in at the beginning of the meeting, acknowledging these guidelines as adopted by the city.
- 4. Each public comment will be limited to two (2) minutes each, but all comments combined may not exceed twelve (12) minutes total, unless approved by a majority of the council.
- 5. The public comment period will be placed at the end of the agenda, after all city business has been concluded.
- 6. Written public comments will be accepted until 5:00 pm on the day of the scheduled meeting. They will be read into the record, provided that they meet the guidelines as adopted by the city. Written comments will precede inperson comments during the public comment period.

Approved by the City Council on the 20th day of March, 2023.

Jeff Connolly

Mayor

Laurel Thomas, CMC

City Clerk/Treasurer